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Mr. C. Lesley Addis
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In Re - Docket No. 2001-204-C: Application for Approval of a 3rd Amendment to an Interconnection Agreement between BellSouth Telecommunications and Z-Tel Communications, Inc.

Dear Mr. Addis:

Your request for approval of the 3rd Amendment to an Interconnection Agreement between BellSouth Telecommunications and Z-Tel Communications, Inc. was presented to the Commission for consideration during its Regular Business Session on August 24, 2004

After consideration, the Commission approved this filing since it is consistent with the standards of Section 252 (a) (1) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 and since it is not discriminatory and is consistent with the public interest in that it promotes competition.

Consistent with previous Commission Orders, the Commission finds that the terms of this Agreement are not to be considered as a precedential standard for other agreements, nor are they binding on any other communications carrier.

Sincerely yours,

David S. Lacoste
Utilities Department